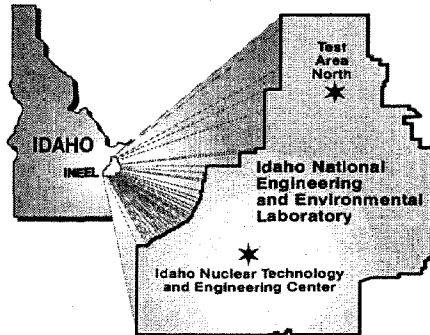


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DOE proposes demolition of Remote Analytical Facility building at INEEL

Reprocessing Complex at INTEC. It was built to house experimental and decontamination facilities in support of fuel reprocessing operations that took place in nearby building 601. Active use of the building ceased in 1997, and the building is known to contain radiological and chemically hazardous substances. It contains several glovebox lines and other equipment used for experiments and spent nuclear fuel reprocessing sample analyses.

No contamination is known to have been released from the building. However, removal and proper disposal of the building and the contaminants it contains will reduce the risk of contaminants reaching the environment.

The U.S. Department of Energy is seeking public comment on its plan to demolish an obsolete laboratory facility at the Idaho National Engineering and Environmental Laboratory. DOE is accepting public comments through May 19.

Details about DOE's plan to demolish CPP-627 are contained in an "Engineering Evaluation and Cost Analysis," or EE/CA, recently published by DOE. The facility housed the Remote Analytical Facility and other nuclear analytical and experimental capabilities at the Idaho Nuclear Technology and Engineering Center (INTEC).

The 15,000-square-foot building CPP-627 was constructed in 1955 as part of a larger group of buildings called the Fuel

Once the building is demolished and the debris sent to the INEEL CERCLA Disposal Facility, the soil underneath the remaining concrete slab and the slab itself will be sampled. Sample results will guide decisions about further action.

Public comments can be submitted online at <http://cleanup.inel.gov> or by sending comments to:

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The following document is now available in the Administrative Record file for Waste Area Group 3. DOE is accepting comments on this document through May 19.

- ***Engineering Evaluation/Cost Analysis for the Decontamination and Decommissioning of Building CPP-627, the Remote Analytical Facility***

Detailed information is available in the Administrative Record file for Waste Area Group 3, which covers environmental remediation at the INTEC facility. The Administrative Record is located at the DOE Reading Room of the INEEL Technical Library in Idaho Falls. Copies can be found at Albertsons Library on the Boise State University campus. The Administrative Record can be accessed on the Internet at <http://ar.inel.gov/>.



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